

J.B. Butler House  
327 South 12th Street  
Fort Dodge  
Webster County  
Iowa

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STATE IOWA		COUNTY WEBSTER	TOWN OR VICINITY FORT DODGE
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) BUTLER, J.B., HOUSE			HABS NO. IA-75
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 327 S. 12th Street.			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) Built 1903		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Nourse and Rasmussen of Des Moines, architects.	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Butler, a noted Fort Dodge lawyer and businessman, had this Prairie style house built early in the nineteenth century.			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Prairie style influence			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Constructed of brownish Roman brick with wooden trim.			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular in shape, the house is two-and-a-half stories in height, capped by a hipped roof with dormers and containing a full-length front porch and side porte cochere.			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE The broad eaves on the house, the porch and porte cochere show Prairie style influence. The decorative work around the windows and on the porch piers are reminiscent of Louis Sullivan.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Unknown			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE unknown			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Shank, Wesley I., The Iowa Catalog: Historic American Buildings Survey, The University of Iowa Press, Iowa City, 1979.			
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